



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
Petersburg, AK 99833

Meeting Minutes Borough Assembly Regular Meeting

Monday, January 03, 2022

12:00 PM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Assembly Member Bob Lynn
Assembly Member Chelsea Tremblay
Assembly Member David Kensinger
Vice Mayor Jeigh Stanton Gregor
Assembly Member Jeff Meucci
Mayor Mark Jensen
Assembly Member Thomas Fine-Walsh

2. Voluntary Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was recited.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. December 20, 2021 Assembly Meeting Minutes

The December 20, 2021 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Meucci.
Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

4. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Tremblay.
Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

5. Public Hearings

A. Public Hearing for Ordinance #2021-22: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2022 Budget for Known Changes

No testimony was given.

6. Bid Awards

There were no bid awards.

7. Persons to be Heard Related to Agenda

Persons wishing to share their views on any item on today's agenda may do so at this time.

John Murgas shared his concerns regarding plans on the Scow Bay project without input from the Harbor Advisory Board.

Glo Wollen spoke regarding the childcare issue in Petersburg, stating creative solutions are needed.

8. Persons to be Heard Unrelated to Agenda

Persons with views on subjects not on today's agenda may share those views at this time.

Sarah Fine-Walsh shared her views regarding snow removal.

9. Boards, Commission and Committee Reports

There were no reports.

10. Consent Agenda

There were no Consent Agenda items.

11. Report of Other Officers

A. Petersburg Medical Center Update

PMC CEO Hofstetter gave an update on Medical Center activities.

12. Mayor's Report

A. January 3, 2022 Mayor's Report

Mayor Jensen read his report into the record.

13. Manager's Report

A. January 3, 2022 Manager's Report

Manager Giesbrecht read his report into the record, a copy of which is attached and made a permanent part of these minutes.

14. Unfinished Business

A. Ordinance #2021-22: An Ordinance of the Petersburg Borough Adjusting the FY 2022 Budget for Known Changes

Ordinance #2021-22 was unanimously approved in its second reading.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Kensinger.

Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

15. New Business

A. Resolution #2022-01: A Resolution Requesting the US Postal Service to Provide Additional Services in Petersburg, Alaska

Resolution #2022-01 was amended to the wording "and adequate staffing" to the Therefore Be It Resolved clause in between "located downtown" and "to better meet the needs" in the last sentence. The resolution was approved, as amended, by a vote of 5-2.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Tremblay.

Voting Yea: Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

Voting Nay: Assembly Member Lynn, Mayor Jensen

B. Blind Slough Hydroelectric Project Professional Services Tasks 4-9

Award of the Blind Slough Hydroelectric Project Professional Services Tasks 4-9 to McMillen Jacobs Associates in the amount of \$1,035,922 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Kensinger.

Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

C. Scow Bay Concept Design Proposal

The Assembly unanimously approved PND Engineers, Inc.'s proposal to provide concept design services, not to exceed \$15,000, for the Scow Bay Harbor and Uplands Development Project.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Kensinger.

Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member

Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

D. Request for a USACE General Investigations Study for Scow Bay

By unanimous roll call vote, the Assembly approved the letter of request to the US Army Corps of Engineers requesting they conduct a general investigations study to consider developing a basin and breakwater along Borough owned property in Scow Bay.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Kensinger.

Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

E. Rocky's Marine Lease Amendment #7

Amendment of the Rocky's Marine Lease to account for an easement on the leased property was unanimously approved.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor.

Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

F. Viking Swim Club Petersburg Community Center Pool Facilities Use Agreement

The Pool Facilities Use Agreement with Viking Swim Club was unanimously approved.

Motion made by Assembly Member Meucci, Seconded by Assembly Member Kensinger.

Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh

16. Communications

A. Correspondence Received Since December 16, 2021

17. Assembly Discussion Items

A. Future of Childcare in Petersburg

The Assembly discussed the availability, or lack thereof, of childcare in the community. Members Tremblay and Meucci shared notice of a SHARE Coalition

meeting regarding a recent childcare needs assessment they conducted, to be held on January 15, 2022 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

B. All Purpose Vehicle Usage on Roadways

The Assembly discussed the legal use (by State Statute as of January 1, 2022) of All Purpose Vehicles on Petersburg streets.

C. Expiration of Emergency Ordinance #2021-21 (Requirement of Face Coverings in Indoor Public Settings)

Emergency Ordinance #2021-21 (Requirement of Face Coverings in Indoor Public Settings) will expire tonight at midnight.

D. January 24, 2022 ARPA Funding Work Session

The Assembly discussed the need for an agenda for this work session and chose 4:00 p.m. on January 24, 2022 to hold the work session.

E. Assembly Member Comments

Assembly Member Meucci shared that he spent some time last weekend assisting Fire Chief Stolpe in uncovering fire hydrants around town.

Assembly Member Tremblay shared that the cold and heavy snow causes a hardship for the housing insecure in our community. She encouraged community members to make donations to the January 26, 2022 Project Connect Fair hosted by Humanity in Progress.

F. Recognitions

Assembly Member Stanton Gregor thanked the Borough employees involved in snow removal for their professionalism and dedication.

Assembly Member Kensinger agreed with Member Stanton Gregor and added a thank you to the DOT employees as well stating everyone dealing with snow removal in Petersburg has gone above and beyond.

18. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:41 p.m.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Seconded by Assembly Member Tremblay. Voting Yea: Assembly Member Lynn, Assembly Member Tremblay, Assembly Member Kensinger, Vice Mayor Stanton Gregor, Assembly Member Meucci, Mayor Jensen, Assembly Member Fine-Walsh